THE VOICE

APRIL 30, 2017



3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER

Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread. —uk 24.35

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH A Servant Church Of The Archdiocese of Detroit

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> **OFFICE HOURS** Monday thru Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m. and 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAYS Monday, Tuesday, Friday: 9:15 a.m. Thursday Evening: 7:00 p.m.

RITE OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

On Sunday, April 30th, the below named children received the Sacrament of First Communion at the Noon Mass.

We congratulate them as they continue on their faith journey.

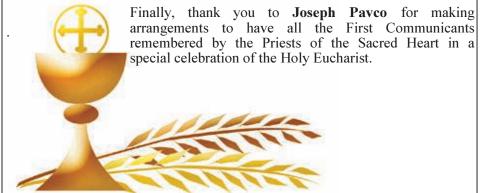
Connor Ast Kyle Austin Natalie Bugeja Mariella Hartman Vaughn Hoffmeyer Franklin Imel Anneliese Kelly Matthew Kelly Romy Kelly Addison Kruger

Anna Kruger Viktoria MacDougall Molly Medellin Megan Millar Ethan Muir Opal Murray Kyle Raman Seth Rutter Jack Truant Paige Williams

Each child designed their banner, which hung at the end of each family's pew during the Mass. These banners will be on display beginning next weekend, but will soon go home with the children as a reminder of their special day. Many children also served as Prayer of the Faithful readers, gift bearers, and greeters.

Thank you to the First Communion catechists who gave so much of their time in helping to prepare these children, they are: **Joyce Kopp and Susan Hill.** Thank you also to the many parishioners who served as ushers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, servers and lector.

A very special thank you to Mary Melonio and the St. Gerald Parish Choir for the lovely music as well as Matthew Yokom, the Christian Service Commission and First Grade families for the gracious reception hosted for our communicants.



ALL ARE WELCOME

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; No matter what your current family or marital situation; No matter what your past or present religious affiliation; No matter what your personal history, age, background, race, or color; No matter what your self-image or esteem; You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at St. Gerald Catholic Church.

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

MAY 1 - MAY 6

Monday 9:15 AM Manuel Pompa Requested by Lee Pompa

<u>Tuesday 9:15 AM</u> Giuseppina and Enrico Zanotti Requested by Peter Zanotti

> Wednesday No Mass

Thursday 7:00 PM Pat Frederick Requested by Monica Harley

Friday 9:15 AM Frances Casey Requested by John Casey

Saturday 9:15 AM Monica Koenig Requested by Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY: ACTS 6:8-15/PS 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/ JN 6:22-29 JOSEPH THE WORKER: GN 1:26--2:3 OR COL 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/PS 90:2-4, 12-14, 16/MT 13:54-58

TUESDAY: ACTS 7:51--8:1A/PS 31:3CD-4, 6, 7B, 8A, 17, 21AB/JN 6:30-35

WEDNESDAY: 1 COR 15:1-8/PS 66:1-3A, 4-7A/JN 14:6-14 THURSDAY: ACTS 8:26-40/PS 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/ JN 6:44-51

FRIDAY: ACTS 9:1-20/PS 117:1BC, 2/JN 6:52-59

SATURDAY: ACTS 9:31-42/PS 116:12-17/JN 6:60-69

NEXT SUNDAY: ACTS 2:14A, 36-41/PS 23:1-6/1

Рт 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

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ELECTRONIC DEPOSIT OF DONATIONS IS AVAILABLE AT ST. GERALD. FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE OR ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE.

MAY 7, 2017 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5:00 PM	May 6	Fr. Kris		
For Bernice Kaye	Servers	Servers Needed		
Requested by Joe Pavco	Lector/ Ushers	Lyda DelRosario 5:00B		
8:30 AM	May 7	Fr. Puzio		
For Simon and Anna Lati Requested by Croitori Family	Servers	Servers Needed		
	Lector/ Ushers	Thad Radzilowski 8:30A		
10:15 AM May 7 Fr. Kris				
For Thomas and Marilyn Diaz Requested by Jim and Sharon Zann	Servers	Claire Pagnucco Grace Pagnucco		
	Lector/ Ushers	Mary Power 10:15A		
12:00 PM May 7 Fr. Kris				
For All Our	Servers	Servers Needed		
Parishioners	Lectors/ Ushers	Paul Radzilowski 12:00A		
Sacristan Schedule for Next Week				

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Team #1 is scheduled for Botsford Commons Sunday, April 30th following the 8:30 AM Mass

Offertory Snapshot

Actual Offertory for Weekend of April 16	\$ 16,940.00
Budget Offertory for Weekend of April 16	\$ 8,800.00
Actual Offertory July 1 - April 16	\$404,391.00
Budget Offertory July 1 - April 16	\$378,400.00

A Thank You from Fr. Kris

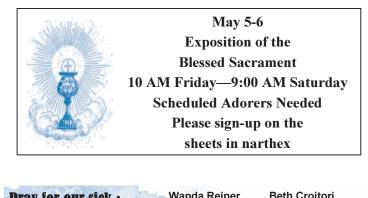
A sincere *thank you* to *all* of the parishioners who made our Holy Week and Easter special. To you, the lectors and readers, choir and all who sang, altar servers, sacristans, Eucharist Ministers, ushers, those who cleaned the church, ironed altar cloths, helped with the flowers and decorating the church and social hall, set up and helped with the reception, changed the glass in the church window, lit the fire and those who had their feet washed as a symbol of the twelve apostles. Thank you also to our wonderful staff for all you do throughout the year.

TIM'S TIDBITS

We continue our celebration of Easter today by again hearing stories from the early church. As we celebrate together today, let us each resolve to take the Good News of Easter that we share with each other and spread it at home, at work and in the world around us.

Living the Paschal Mystery (from Living Liturgy, 2017)

No wonder the early church from the very beginning chose the first day of the week for breaking bread - celebrating Eucharist. This is why, for us, Eucharist - "breaking of bread" - is so pivotal; here we encounter the risen Jesus, share in his meal, and become ourselves the risen Presence for others. Here we engage the dying and rising that is the pattern of our everyday living. Here we engage the mystery of salvation so powerfully that we are shaken out of our limited vision and begin to see ourselves and others as God sees us. Others in our faith community reflect back to us the reality that Jesus is alive and among us, because he is within us. The vision of others, their deep faith, their caring and sharing are all recognizable signs that "The Lord has truly been raised." We must persevere in our belief. Have a Blessed Easter Season!



ly for our sick :	Wanda Reiner	Beth Croitori
Q PAR	Tony Wadrick	Bill Walker
WX A	Loretta Zahn	Carol Reinke
1114	Dick Campbell	Erin Malloy-Tingle
1/AK	Charles Minear	Andy Mosher
(1)	Rita Knight	Cyndy Fenech
	John MacDougall	Emily Choike
20	Josephine Meyers	Corinne Wedge
8 5mg	Megan Schroeder	Linda Malloy
	Wanda Johnson	Stephen Cleary
	Bob Johnston	Nancy Kolliker
C. ANDODO	Laurie Aldrich	Margaret Joyal
	Mary Ann Alcala	Joan Preston
	Andy Vermiglio	Joan Koeppen
(D)1940/	Joan Goniea	Sue Kowzan
	Rick Stone	Joan Koeppen
	Nadeen Ouelette	Betty Hunter
C AIN	John Dillon	James Cooper
	Nell Sagripanti	Renee Skoczylas
	Sean English	Ralph Wenski

CHRISTIAN SERVICE

CROP WALK 2017

If you did not pick up a copy of "The Voice" last weekend and missed the flyer that was inside than you may not know that the 32nd annual Farmington Area CROP Walk is next SUNDAY, MAY 7th. The walk begins at 1:30 PM in front of the First United Methodist Church. We here at St. Gerald are once again a part of the walk, but we are in need of walkers, if you are interested in walking please call the Christian Service Office at 248-476-7677 ext. 204 and I will give you a packet to gather pledges. Let's walk together and help fight hunger. Happy Easter! Matt

RICE BOWLS ARE DUE BACK!

Thank you to all who have donated to Operation Rice Bowl. Donations are due back. Please return your donation to the parish office. Thank you!



Next weekend is CSA weekend! Our parish will join with other parishes in the Archdiocese of Detroit to fund valuable ministries. programs, and

services supported by the CSA throughout the Archdiocese. Before CSA Weekend, we ask that you prayerfully consider making the most generous gift possible. Your pledge cards will be available next week for you to pick up after Mass. Thank you as always for your continued support!



A special thank you to Mary Taylor and the Confirmation prep catechists, students and parents. It was another great year of good learning and good times. Memories of discussions, retreat, bonfire, pretzels, games and making new friends; ALL IN GOD'S NAME & WORD. May everyone have a safe and happy summer.

Gerryanna Luscri & 7th Graders; Allison, Carlos, Eddie, Jackie, Joshua, Hank, Nino, Peter, Ryan and Sara.

Message from the St. Gerald Conference of St. Vincent de Paul

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We thank all of you who have enrolled your Kroger Plus Cards with our

St. Vincent de Paul Conference here at St. Gerald. As a result, this past year we have received \$673.53 from the Kroger Rewards Program. This, along with all the other support we receive from our generous parishioners, enables us to help the less fortunate in our area with food, rent, utility assistance and other needs.



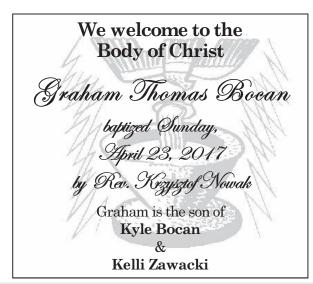
Some good news is that you no longer need to re-enroll each year to continue designating our St. Vincent de Paul Conference as your beneficiary organization.

If you have not already done so, you can enroll your Kroger Plus Card with us by following the steps below. This will in no way affect the rewards you receive personally from your card.

If this is the first time you are registering, you will need to set-up an account first.

Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com.

- Click "Create an account".
- Put in your e-mail address and create a password.
- Confirm the password.
- Enter plus card or alternate ID number.
- Go to Community Rewards (near bottom)
- Follow the steps (name, address, etc.)
- Choose Organization 90868.
- Click Enroll.





Last Sunday we had "Lunch with Father Kris". We said Grace for our meal and each other, enjoyed great conversation, delicious food and a gorgeous day! What a wonderful blessing the day was. All the children had a great time making new friends and playing together. It was wonderful having Father Kris with us! (Pictures from this event are below)

Our next meeting will be Sunday, May 21st! We will pray the Rosary. You can bring your own or one will be provided along with a leaflet that shows how to pray the rosary. We will share ideas for fun projects, outings and our outreach event in the planning.

Keep checking the Voice for all upcoming events, charitable outreach acts and meeting dates. All are welcome!



"International Centennial Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima", Blessed by Pope Francis to celebrate the Jubilee year of Fatima, will be visiting Michigan May 5th thru May 10th. To gain the indulgence visit; St Mary of the Annunciation, in Rockwood May 5th -7th. St Michael the Archangel in Livonia 7PM, May 7th -8th and St Gerald in Farmington on May 9th at 7PM.

Beginning with a rosary procession, Enthronement to the Two Hearts, enrollment in the Brown Scapular, Holy Mass and adoration. Candle light procession - Relics of the two children of Fatima will be at St Michael the Archangel Church

UPCOMING EVENTS

COME TO THE CABERNET, OLE CHUM! FRUIT OF THE VINE WINE EVENT & FUNDRAISER Saturday, May 20th at 7:00 PM



What wine do I serve with a Reuben sandwich? Can I serve a red wine with fish? Do I need special wine glasses for an expensive Champagne?

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Do these questions roll around in your mind while preparing for a dinner party? Well, its time to fret no more. Joe Lozano (sommelier, broker, and wine collector) will bring his 40 years of experience in the wine industry to **St. Gerald Parish**. Joe will answer these questions, and more, while we enjoy an evening of learning and sampling wines from around the world. Please RSVP to 734-341-1999.

Suggested donation of \$10/person

WINE EXCHANGE



Those who wish to participate in the Wine Exchange are asked to bring three (3) bottles of the SAME wine. You will be provided with two personalized wine tags. One bottle will be opened for sampling & sharing. Then, you can place each of your tags on any two wines of your choice; to enjoy yourself or give as a gift.

Will you have fun? How can you not? Wine + Friends = a great evening. * All proceeds from this event will benefit our Religious Education Program.

HEALING MASS

Emmanuel Healing Ministry invites you to come to a Healing Service on <u>Thursday, May 11</u> at the National Shrine of the Little Flower from 7-9 PM. Confessions will be available at 6:20 PM. Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered followed by the opportunity to be prayed over for *any* intention. Fr. Alex Kratz will preside. Call Margaret Williams (248) 477-0767 for information. This will be our last healing service.

HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS

We will be conducting an **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TEAM TRAINING on Wednesday, May 10, from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM** in the social hall. You do not need any previous training, just willing to help in the event of an emergency, such as: severe weather, power outage, fire, threat, etc. Suggestions of people would be ushers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, greeters, people at large. We need as many people as possible trained. If you have any questions please contact me at <u>blseabolt.mi.rr.com</u> or call 248-477-4752, Barbara Seabolt.



Mark your calendars! Our annual Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, June 11th. More information to come!

THEOLOGY on TAP

with Mark Livingston 7:00 PM on Friday, May 12 at the Grand Tavern on Drake Road.



Bring a friend and enjoy a night of good conversation and information.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PANDAMANIA



Where God is Wild about YOU! June 19th to 23rd. Come join us in the jungle! 5 years old to 5th Grade. Volunteer helpers needed 6th Grade to Adult. Please contact Mary Taylor at 248-476-7677, ext. 201

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Please join Mother and Unborn Baby Care in celebrating "Take My Hand Not My Life" at our 33rd Annual Spring Fundraiser on Thursday, May 4 at 5:30 PM at the San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver Road, Troy, MI.

Our keynote speaker is Dr. Ray Guarendi, pro-life father of ten, clinical psychologist, author, public speaker, and nationally syndicated radio and television host. To purchase tickets or place an ad in our program, contact Jeff Thiede at 248-559-7576 or jeff@maubc.org.





KNIGHTS CORNER

K of C Offers Guaranteed Retirement Savings Programs Plus Whole Life and Term Insurance

In a recent issue of KnightLine, a monthly newsletter sent to Council officers, the Knights of Columbus insurance program pointed out some ways it is different than commercial insurance. "We're looking out for you in a way that no other company can because we are your brothers," the article stated.

The article pointed out that there "are eight guarantees from the Knights of Columbus that you and your family can count on when you do business with the Knights." Included are the death benefit and cash of whole life policies and the contractual premiums for term insurance. "No surprises --- just reliable, affordable coverage." Also guaranteed are the principal amounts of retirement annuities and the interest rates stated in the contract. "The actual rate you earn may be greater than that -- and often is -- but it will never be lower." The Knights also guarantee that an annuity policy can be structured to provide an income stream " for as long as you live." And, the K of C guarantees "high-quality, professional services." "We are not just an insurance company - we're an insurance company for brother Knights, run by brother Knights."

The company also pledges not to purchase risky "junk" bonds or derivatives or to invest in companies that deal in abortions, contraception, human cloning, embryonic stem cell research, for profit health care that pays for any of the aforementioned and pornography. 'Our faith informs our work at every level, including the evaluation of every investment we make. Father McGivney wouldn't have wanted it any other way."

Greg Bennett is the field agent assigned to our Council for the last several years. You can reach him at gregorybennett@kofc.org or 248-884-4095.

Looking Ahead: Officers meet May 2; Nomination of officer candidates remains open until the voting at the May 16 membership meeting, and our annual Memorial Mass honoring our deceased Council brothers is at 7 PM on May 25.

The K of C, the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization. is open to Catholic men age 18 and over.

Office Hours	SACRAMENTS	
9:00 AM - 4:30 PM Monday thru Thursday. Closed Friday. (secretary at lunch 12:00 pm—12:30 pm)	Rite of Reconciliation: Sacrament of the Sick: Saturdays from 3:30-4:30PM Please call the office	
(secretary at lunch 12.00 pm—12.30 pm)	Saturdays from 3:30-4:30PM Please call the office Baptism:	
STAFF	Please be aware that first time parents must attend a short baptism prep class prior to the baptism of their child. Arrangements for baptism may	
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Email: timwestfall.sgp@gmail.com	the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office	
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	Registration of new members: Please see Fr. Kris after Mass or call the office. Registration forms are	
other offices dial (248) 476-7677	located on the shelf in the classroom hallway for your convenience.	
an Services w Yokom: Christian Service Coordinatorx 204	After you fill it out, just give it to Fr. Kris or drop it off in the Parish Office.	
Email: myokom.sgp@gmail.com	4 Thank you!	
cent de Paul	RCIA: Would you or someone you know want to become a full member of	
ion	the Catholic Church? Please call Tim Westfall (248) 476-7677 x202 or Fr. Kris (248) 477-7470 for more information.	
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Email: taylor.mary04@yahoo.com	WE WELCOME YOU TO ST. GERALD CATHOLIC PARISH!	
and Youth Ministry	If you are new to the area, we look forward to meeting you personally. If	
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Email: mmelonio@aol.com	receiving the Sacraments, we invite you to call the rectory at 248-477-	
nance Accountant	7470. In many cases, Fr. Kris can work with you to find a favorable solution.	
ruger Kim Shepard		

ST. GERALD MISSION STATEMENT

St. Gerald Roman Catholic Church is a welcoming, inclusive parish striving to be a reflection of Christ. Guided by the Holy Spirit, we are dedicated to strengthening our faith through reverent and uplifting worship, serving those in need, and living the fullness of the Gospel with all God's people.





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